

earth where the then human race was supposed to dwell, and did not cover the whole face of the terrestrial earth or globe, they ought to lose the high esteem in which they are held. No, no; I cannot think that any theological professor would be so bold as to state that the scientific theory of a general deluge, as explained in this work, was ever taught in print before. I intend to send a copy of this work to each professor in every Canadian college, in order to give them a fair opportunity to controvert it. I do not intend to have repeated additions of the work printed, if it is not sound in its principles.

If, contrary to my expectations, several of the leading professors of Canadian colleges recommend the work, so that the public can learn the fact, then the trustees of the churches in the towns I may visit, will feel justified in granting me the use of the churches under their charge, in order to repeat my lecture on Creation.

This will encourage me to publish my complete scientific exegesis in the defence of the Bible, which will do more to undermine the foundation of modern skepticism than all the works hitherto published on the subject.

It is well known by publishers and librarians that about 99 per cent. of the books read by the people are other than scientific works; hence, it ought to be evident to a man of good understanding that to draw attention to such works through the press would cost more than the receipts from the sale of the works. This is the reason why such works are rarely advertised. The clergy are the only ones who can, without loss, teach the true scientific principles which prove the inspiration of the Bible; hence my desire to place a copy of my works in the hands of every clergyman in the world.

A theory or scientific idea, founded on a hypothesis, may be true. In time someone having a peculiar adaptation for philosophical research and the acquisition of facts demonstrates the truth or falseness of the theory; but when a theory has been demonstrated to be true on the basis of absolute facts, it can never be successfully controverted. The theory will remain forever a scientific truth.

The Rev. Joseph Cook, of Boston, gets \$250 a night for lecturing on "The Harmony of Modern Geological Theories;" and yet the Ex-Mayor of Vancouver, B. C., who heard the reverend gentleman lecture in Ottawa, said to a reporter for the press, that in his opinion the Rev. Joseph Cook signally failed to show any harmony between modern science and the Bible account. My lecture is in harmony with the literal account of Creation as given in the first chapter of Genesis; therefore, according to the fitness of the two discourses,

my lecture should be given the preference. The press does not care to insert lengthy scientific subjects. Every publisher knows that the expense necessary to advertise this work throughout Canada, would be greater than the profits on the sale of the work. Hence, in order that the true idea of a general deluge may be extensively taught, a single copy of this work should be sent to each of the ministers in Canada. I intend to expend the tenth part of the receipts arising from my lecture on Creation, to give a free copy to every minister in Canada. And should I visit the United States this summer and receive an invitation to lecture while there, I will apply a tenth part of the receipts to send free copies of this work to American ministers.

It may be inferred from the eulogistic remark I have made with reference to Sir John, that I am a Tory of the most pronounced type. I think I can express a fair opinion, even if I am neutral as a political partisan.

I know from observation—having traveled in the States—that the common school system of Canada is superior to that of the district school system in the United States, inasmuch as the common schools of the greater part of Canada are continued throughout the year, save a six-weeks' vacation during the hot summer season, while the United States district or rural schools have two terms of four months each in a year—one a summer term, which continues right on through the hot summer months, while they are closed during the mild autumn weather; then a winter term, even in such a country as Dakota, where in one instance the children and teacher froze to death during the continuance of a blizzard.

It used to be the custom in the States to change the teachers with every change of term, viz., twice a year. Hence, it is not surprising that young men who could not get a certificate to teach school in Ontario, could go over to Michigan and get a second-class certificate to teach in that State; for the reason that the school system of the States is not good enough to enable the school authorities to grade up their teachers to a high standard. It is admitted that the graduates of theology, law, and medicine in Canada, are more thoroughly educated than the same class in the States.

Not only in the matter of education but also in the governmental system of Canada and of the neighboring States, Canada can boast of the best. The provincial governments of Canada, which are analogous to the state governments, receive disbursements from the consolidated revenue of the Dominion government, which enables the provincial governments of Canada to do more public works, in proportion to the